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re: 00 5 Tech Memo 15

Dear Mr. Slaten:

We have reviewed the information and proposed responses to comments submitted pursuant to our July 15, 1994, letter which transmitted our comments on OU 5 Technical Memorandum 15. At that time EPA, as lead agency, indicated the comments "needed to be addressed satisfactorily before the document can be formally approved, but granted approval for the start of field work. Dos indicated they could not proceed with field work on that basis.

EPA finds the proposed comment responses submitted by FAX (1 August 11, 1994 satisfactorily address the issues raised. As lead agency, we are therefore granting approval of Technical Memorandum 15 on the condition that it be finalized and placed in the record with these responses properly incorporated, and that the field program be conducted accordingly. We hope this will allow field work to begin on schedule.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bonnis Lavelle (EPA) at 294-1067.

Sincerely

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